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09/841,957	04/25/2001	Isao Kawashima	450100-03176	6050

TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ACCESSING DATA USING A PLURALITY OF INDEPENDENT POINTING DEVICES

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 409 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 409 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

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Notice of Allowability

Application No.	Applicant(s)
09/841,957	KAWASHIMA ET AL.
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- This communication is responsive to 3/23/2009.
- 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4,6-8,32,35,41 and 44-48.
- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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 None of the:
 - 1. X Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____
 - Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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- CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) Including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

 DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3. M Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
- Paper No./Mail Date 6/15/2009
- Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
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- 7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. 🔲 Other _____.

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 32, 35, 41 and 44-48 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In regards to independent claims 1, 32, 35, and 41 the prior art found does not specifically teach determining said selection of content information as a function of a majority decision weighted with said priority value of said cursors and the other information selected by another cursor among said plurality of cursors is displayed within an alternative window: in combination with all of the other claim limitations.

All dependent claims are allowable by virtue of their dependence on allowable independent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BORIS PESIN whose telephone number is (571)272-4070. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday except every other Friday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dennis Chow can be reached on (571)272-7767. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Boris Pesin/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2174